

EVOLUTION OF CHINA.

What Russia Is Doing In the Celestial Empire.

RESEARCHES OF AN OHIOAN.

Country Destined to Be the Greatest Market of the World Being Developed Rapidly by the Czar's Subjects.

London, Dec. 23.—John W. Bookwalter of Ohio, who has just returned from a three months' journey through Russia, in an interview said he had secured unusual facilities for observing what is going on in that country. He traveled 17,000 miles to the terminus of the Transiberian railway, the end of the line reaching the center of Afghanistan and to the end of the one penetrating China through Manchuria. All these are now practically completed. Said he: "Everywhere I found the kindest and most friendly feeling towards America and Americans, and heard expressions of satisfaction over America's success in our war with Spain. To this there was not a single exception. Wherever I went everything was thrown open to me simply because I was an American."

"America's best open door to central Asia and China is through Russia. Already all the locomotives and the stock on the railways are of American manufacture. Central Asia in the near future be the greatest market in the world for manufactures of all kinds and our obtaining the virtual monopoly of this market only depends on our retaining the friendship Russia now has for us."

A great surprise to the world is in preparation in that part of the earth. It will come, I believe, very soon. Many years will elapse before the world will see Russia, England and China combining for the partition of Asia. The very force of circumstances is bringing this about. England and Asia will never be able to agree on a partition of China between themselves. Still less will they allow the Russian powers to share with them in spoils of that empire. They will be forced to defend China, which alone helps, against the rest of the world, and to share with her the domination of Asia."

A FORMIDABLE ALLIANCE. The alliance of England, Russia and China—of two-thirds of the human race—will be such an alliance as history has never yet seen, and it will one which will give peace to the world for centuries. All its interests will make for peace, and it will be to dictate terms to the rest of the world. America has very little to gain by open door to China. That country in industrial one, and whatever we can now be able to sell to them the more we will soon be able to make for ourselves. One day, and that day is at hand, what ever China buys from the rest of the world will reach through Russia and Central Asia. Russia in the last three years has more to open the doors of China in England and all the rest of the world has not seen it with his own eyes. He has the faintest conception of what Russia has done and is still doing Central Asia. I have traveled over 12,000 miles of way which she has built from the plain sea to Tashkent. In Turkistan, a branch of this line which runs the northern frontier of India, over the border of Afghanistan. This branch was not completed when I there, but it will be open to traffic next week. There are also Russian lines all along the Persian frontier and extending into that country, either completed or rapidly approaching completion. All the work on these lines has been done by soldiers, who, in this respect, are not in Russia, as elsewhere, producers.

All this tremendous Asiatic railway system is owned and operated by the government. All the lines are admirably built and splendidly equipped. I saw a bridge across the Urdaria in Central Asia at a point where the river is three miles wide. It cost 20,000,000 roubles and is the latest piece of engineering work ever completed. There is nothing like anywhere else in the world, the celebrated North bridge, near Edinburgh, excepted."

Already, thanks to her railways, Russia can at any time pour her armies across the frontiers of India by the routes that Alexander, Tamerlane and Kubla Khan marched to the quest of eastern Asia. Russia today has 25,000,000 reserves, all of whom have served in the army from five to five years. One-fifth of her population has been drilled and destined to military work. The United States will be committing a woeful mistake if she fails to win the friendship of this great old power of the future."

Raid on Moonshiners. Richmond, Va., Dec. 23.—Radford, reports the return to that place of

a posse of revenue officers from a raid on moonshiners on the North Carolina border. Seven stills were cut up, thousands of gallons of beer destroyed and three moonshiners captured.

Newspapers Consolidated. Syracuse, Dec. 23.—Contracts have been signed for the consolidation on Jan. 1 of the Syracuse Standard and the Syracuse Post.

A HOODOO LOCOMOTIVE.

Engineer's Ghost Haunts One Which Is to Be Sold as Scrap.

The remains of the old Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern engine 107 have been shipped to Cincinnati to be sold to the junk dealers. The engine had a remarkable history and has been regarded as a hoodoo for years.

About five years ago, just east of Rosabel, O., the engine exploded for some reason, which has never yet been disclosed, and the engineer, Robert Lashin, was blown into an adjacent cornfield and instantly killed. The remains of the engine were gathered up and brought to Chillicothe, where they were placed in the "boneyard," along with other wrecks.

A short time after the east end was terrified by the report that the engine was haunted. An engineer who had crossed the "boneyard" after night declared that he had seen the old engine sitting at the throat of the natural life. Others saw the same ghastly sight, they claimed, and the terror finally became so great that people were afraid to pass the corner near which the engine stood. Ever since it has been regarded as a hoodoo, although the ghost stories gradually died away. But those who lived near the place will never forget how intense the terror was for a time. Whether the ghost will accompany the engine to Cincinnati remains to be seen.—Special Cincinnati Enquirer.

MAY EXPORT GRAVEYARDS.

Venezuela Wishes Yankee Ingenuity to Devise Waterproof Iron Coffins.

The National Association of Manufacturers at Philadelphia has received from Rudolph Dolge, the manager of its warehouse at Caracas, Venezuela, a request for designs and specifications for an iron graveyard.

The Venezuelan government wishes to reinter the bodies of 25,000 dead. The country is principally flat, and great difficulty has been experienced with graveyards, particularly in Caracas. Heretofore they have been built of stone, but these were not waterproof. The Venezuelans concluded that American ingenuity could solve the problem of the proper care of the dead. They wish the cemeteries placed above the level of the rivers. Iron coffins, ornamental, they believe will answer their purposes.

American architects will be asked to submit designs for iron graveyards. As soon as these are secured they will be submitted to Manager Dolge and by him to Venezuelans. If one of those proves satisfactory, the iron workers of Pennsylvania will be asked to bid for the construction.—Special New York World.

Very Tame. The Turk—Your American melodramas fall far below ours in point of realism.

His Entertainer—Indeed? The Turk—Yes; over here you only make believe to kill the superhuman series.—New York Journal.

20 Per Cent. Off. For Saturday only Hoover Bros. will give 20 per cent. off for cash on everything in the store.

CLAIMS

For Fees in Ohio Southern Cases Being Heard

To-day by Judge Richie—Many Marriage Licenses Being Issued.

Judge Richie to-day is hearing the claims of the receivers, attorneys and special masters for fees for work done for the Ohio Southern. Edward K. Stello and J. R. McGee, of Cincinnati; C. N. Haskell, of Ottawa; Judge Harmon, of Cincinnati; and Hugh T. Mathers, of Sidney, were among those who were before the court in this connection.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Gideon Poberly and Catharine Matting.

James Stolls and Linda Hockstetter. James Bennett and Anna Speer. Lincoln A. Cole and E. M. Ingledue. John McGee and Mary E. Morgan. Albert F. Weissenmayer and Ella F. Cary.

William J. Best and Mrs. Ella Foreney. Thomas Evans and Mary Jones.

NOTES.

The case of Hoff against Freedman has been continued on account of the illness of attorney Meade.

The jury has been excused until next Wednesday, when the case of Thos. W. Morgan vs. John W. Kibby et al. will be up for hearing.

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25c Oysters at Townsend's market.

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Look for Townsend's ad; there is something in it.

JOYOUSLY

Continued from Eighth Page.

Programme of Christmas service at Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Lima, Ohio, Sabbath, Dec. 25, 1898:

9 a. m.—Sabbath school. "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." 10 a. m.—Preliminary Christmas sermon, welcome to all and all the boys alone. 11:15 a. m.—Christmas Class Meeting, led by the oldest person present. 12:30 p. m.—All the girls' classes meet. 2 p. m.—Epworth League service, subject: "The Christmas Anthem." Luke 2.

T. M.—SABBATH EVENING SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE.

Subject: "Christmas With a Real Christ."

PART I—CHRISTMAS ANTICIPATED.

Song—"Happy Christmas Time."

Classes: L. Wheeler, Mrs. Nelswander, Introduction—The pastor to the all.

Senior Bible Class, "Joy to the World." Classes W. F. McBride, Mrs. W. F. McBride, Mrs. Dr. A. S. Rudy.

Prayer—standing, close with "The Lord's Prayer." Anthem—"Joy to the World." Recitation—"Christmas Bells Where?"

Chorus—"Merry Christmas to All." Miss Emma Shreve.

PART II—THE ANGELS AND THE SHEPHERDS.

Angels' Chant, by the primary department. Stella Jackson and Beale Stuckey's classes.

Dialogue of the shepherds and angels—"Should I Bring You Good Tidings?" Emily Leathem.

Shepherd's Council. Class of Mrs. Nellie Bluff.

Shepherd's Song and Processional March to the manger. Classes: Miss Florence Wheeler, James Yahn, C. A. Stevenson, Mrs. J. G. Vanatta.

"Hark! Hark! A Song of Gladness Fills the Earth." "What a Wonderful Night!"

Shepherd Boys' Song—"Hark! Mean Those Holy Voices!"

Class of Mrs. Nellie Bluff. The Messenger and the Angel—Address by Messenger.

Response by shepherds. Recitation—"What We Saw in Bethlehem." Class of Mrs. Nellie Bluff.

"Christmas Morn." James Yahn's class.

"Peace on Earth." Class of Mrs. Nellie Bluff.

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TRAVELERS.

Who They Are, Where They Have Been or Are Going.

Limits Abroad and Strangers Within Our City.

C. N. Haskell, of Ottawa, is in the city.

Judge Harmon, of Cincinnati, is in the city.

Will Brown was at Ottawa last evening.

Louis Wiesenthal, of Chicago, is in the city.

John Crumrine went to Piqua this morning.

M. E. Davis, of Jackson Centre, is in the city.

Mrs. Clara Kriger is visiting friends at Crestline.

Fred Neely is home from college for the holidays.

Hugh T. Mathers, of Sidney, was in the city to-day.

Mrs. Frances O. McMillen is visiting friends at Massillon.

J. L. Brenner, of Bellefontaine, is registered at the Cambridge.

Frank Black went to Toledo this afternoon to spend Christmas.

Edward K. Stello and J. R. McGee, of Cincinnati, are in the city.

Mrs. G. Morris and children left last evening for New York City.

Miss Emma Gerberling left last night to visit friends in Chicago.

Samuel Watt, of Sioux City, Iowa, is visiting Robert Watt and family.

Fred Neely is home from Dewap college to spend his Christmas vacation.

Miss Madge Mitchell is home from school in Massachusetts for the holidays.

R. B. Turner, general superintendent of the C. H. & D., was in the city to-day.

Judge Mooney was in the city this morning, on his way home to St. Marys.

Nicholas Cantieny has returned from a six months' trip and visit in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kendrick will spend Christmas with relatives in Dayton.

Tom Keville is home from St. Marys Institute, Dayton, to spend the holidays.

Gibson Dildine left this morning for Toledo to spend Christmas with his parents.

Walter Morris, who has been attending college at Gambier, is home to spend the holidays.

Miss Myrtle Crosson, of south Oak street, has returned from a visit with friends in Sandusky.

Mr. and Mrs. Will J. O'Day, of Washington street, are visiting his parents in Elmira, N. Y.

Miss Inez Lowe, who has been attending St. Mary's School, Knoxville, Ill., is at home for the holidays.

Mrs. P. R. Hoagland, of west High street, will leave to-morrow for Warsaw, Ind., to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Barrett, of 788 south Main street, have gone to Mattoon, Illinois, to spend Christmas.

Miss Nellie Barrett, of LaGro, Ind., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John McLaughlin, of Greenlawn avenue.

George Taylor, Jr., of Adelbert College, Cleveland, returned home to-day to spend Christmas with his parents.

Harry Allen, who has been attending the Northwestern University, is home to spend his Christmas vacation.

L. W. Barnes and family, of north Park avenue, will leave to-morrow for Georgetown, Ohio, to spend the holidays.

Reed Wallace went to Columbus to-day. After the first of the year he will be located in Pittsburg for several months.

Bernard E. and J. H. A. O'Connor came home last night from St. Gregory's college, Cedar Point, O., to spend the holidays.

Misses Hazel Brown and Agnes O'Connor came home from school at Cedar Grove to-day to spend the holiday vacation.

Thomas Thomas and wife will spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. C. F. Yakey, in Lima.—[Sidney News.]

Miss Frances E. Baker, one of the high school teachers, left last night for New York City, where she will spend her vacation.

Miss Nella Rickie returned home yesterday afternoon for the holidays from Wellesley, Mass., where she has been attending school.

Harold R. Gilson, of south Jackson street, left this afternoon for Piqua, to attend the funeral of a friend, which takes place to-morrow.

Miss Ida Lichtenstader, whose future as a pianist is extremely promising, is home from her studies in Cincinnati, for a Christmas recreation.

Mrs. Rev. T. P. Johnston, of east High street, is enjoying a visit from Mr. W. D. McCracken, of Cincinnati, and Miss Mattie McCracken, of Pittsburg.

H. H. Geyer, of Mankato, Minn., is spending the day with his sister, Mrs.

E. B. Seriff, of east High street, on his way home to spend the holidays at Pomeroy, O.

L. H. Beall, Jr., returned home from Denison university last night, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Beall, of 923 St. Johns avenue.

Miss Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Finley, is home from Washington, where she is attending a young ladies' school. She will remain until after the holidays.

Messrs. Harry and Charles Durnbaugh are home from Rochester, N. Y., to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Durnbaugh, of south Main street.

E. Stuckey and son, Elwood, of south Union street, will leave to-night for Oil City, Pa., where they will spend Christmas and New Years with his son, Arthur, and daughter, Mrs. W. E. McCray.

Lieut. Don M. Baxter, of the United States marine service, who has been on duty with the guard over Spanish prisoners at Portamouth, N. H., arrived home this morning to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Baxter.

Frank Gardner, representing a prominent monument firm of Adrian, Mich., who has been in Cincinnati erecting a \$50,000 vault for Fleischman, the yeast manufacturer, stopped over in this city yesterday to visit his brother, C. J. Gardner, of east Linden street.

FOR GENTLEMEN OF GOOD TASTE, "The SAN-FELICE Cigar."

20 Per Cent. Off. For Saturday only Hoover Bros. will give 20 per cent. off for cash on everything in the store.

RUGS. The largest stock of Rugs in Lima at Carroll & Cooney's. They sell rugs at lower prices than any other house here.

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NEWSY NOTES About People and Events.

Miss Metta Heffner, who has been very sick the past week, is no better. Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Montgomery, formerly of this city, now of Pomona, Cal., a 9-pound baby boy.

Mrs. R. A. Hickey, of Harrison avenue, has been suffering the past few days with a severe attack of gripe.

Stella Rebekah degree staff will drill this evening. The grand officers and officers-elect will drill for installation promptly at 7 o'clock.

Rev. W. H. Leatherman and daughter were at Wapakoneta Tuesday attending the funeral of Mrs. Cora Schubert-Kohler.

There is at present only one case of any contagious disease in the city that has not been discharged by the health department, and that one is a case of chickenpox.

Ex-bank examiner L. M. Studevant, of Sidney, [was in the city to-day enroute home from Lisbon, Ohio, where he had been called to straighten out and report on the affairs of a defunct national bank.

Milton Sweeney, who was kicked in the breast by a horse at Columbus Grove, was brought to this city over the C. H. & D. at 4:05 yesterday afternoon and taken from here to his home at Bluffton over the L. E. & W. last evening.

H. F. Reel, the bicycle dealer, has purchased the Burnet House, bowling alleys, and will remove them to the basement of his block on east Market street, where he will open a first class bowling resort. He will give a public opening as soon as his new place is ready for use.

The marriage of Fred J. Hofmann and Miss Chie LeViness, at the home of the bride's parents on south Elizabeth street, Wednesday evening, was one of the most brilliant nuptial events of the south side this season. Mr. and Mrs. Hofmann received an exceptionally fine array of handsome presents. They went to Muncie, Ind., to spend a portion of their honeymoon.

THE RAILROADS.

Traffic on the P., Ft. W. & C. Delayed by a Wreck.

A C. & E. Engine Leaves the Track Near Marion—Other News.

The four tracks of the P., Ft. W. & C. road at Fair Oaks, sixteen miles west of Pittsburg, were completely blocked for twelve hours yesterday on account of a remarkable wreck. It was unattended by any serious injuries to persons, but delayed all the through trains and caused damage which will require thousands of dollars to repair.

A heavy train of loaded coal cars while running at a high rate of speed was derailed by a broken axle on one of the cars on the forward part of the train. The broken iron caught underneath the rails at a small culvert and literally stripped them from the roadbed. The cars on the rear having nothing to guide them bumped over the ties and soon the rails on the other track were torn from the ties. Before the engineer could make an effort to check the train it had been separated in a dozen places and the cars were scattered along the road for nearly half a mile. The crew escaped by jumping. The coal was spilled over the track and before the cars could be removed it was necessary for the wrecking crew to replace the rail.

A wrecking crew was called, but owing to the damage to the track and the dense fog that prevailed little progress toward clearing the way could be made until after the fog lifted.

The wreck occurred about 10 o'clock in the morning and the track was not cleared so that trains could pass until seven hours afterwards.

FIREMAN INJURED.

George Shoemaker, a C. H. & D. fireman, while stepping from his engine which was standing in the round house at Dayton Wednesday, fell into the pit and severely bruised his body. His injuries are not serious, but are such as will detain him from work for several days.

NOTES.

All the railroads passing through the city are already doing a big passenger business on account of the reduced rates that are offered.

A C. & E. freight engine left the track near Marion last night and delayed traffic for several hours. West bound passenger train No. 3 did not arrive here until about 5 o'clock this morning.

Frank Mcetheay, chief clerk to Superintendent of Motive Power Corp. of the C. H. & D., has been granted a vacation. Frank's eyes have been giving him much trouble lately and he was advised of the necessity of a rest. F. A. Fay, of Texas, is doing his work.

The

DON'T WORRY.

In a recent sermon Cardinal Gibbons invoked his hearers to be active and industrious, but to avoid excessive solitude, worry and trouble of mind; to think not of the cares of the morrow, but make the best possible out of the present. Cardinal Gibbons' sermon was in part as follows: "I do not pretend to read your hearts, but I venture to say there is scarcely a member of the congregation who is not agitated by some vain hope or fear. Each of you has his daily round of cares, which flow and ebb like the tide. As soon as one care subsides another rises in your heart in endless succession. Those of you who are more favored in your temporal condition may be preoccupied by the rise and fall in stocks. These of you who are in moderate circumstances are solicitous about your future wants for the decent support of life. Others are anxious about the result of a lawsuit or of some impending event on the issue of which you imagine your future happiness depends. Some of you again are fretful and uneasy about the recovery of a sick friend or member of your household.

"Now, the Christian religion, established to prepare us for future bliss in the world to come, contributes at the same time to our happiness in this life. Let me set before you the beautiful exhortation of our Savior on this subject in His Sermon on the Mount: 'Be not solicitous for your life, what you shall eat, nor for your body, what you shall put on. Is not the life more than the food and the body more than the raiment?'

"But you will say, if God has such an eye to our wants; if His providence watches over us, may we not fold our arms, sit down idly and do nothing? May we not even squander what we possess? May not the capitalist hoard up his treasures and give no employment to others? May not the son of toil frequent the tavern and read the papers all day and enjoy a perpetual holiday?

"God forbid that while you are admonished to avoid extremes of solicitude you should fall into the other extreme of idleness and improvidence. If our Lord points out to you the care His Heavenly Father takes of you, He expects of you at the same time to co-operate with Him. God helps those who help themselves. It is true, indeed, that God feeds the birds of the air, but He does not deposit the bird's breakfast in her nest. The bird must rise early to find it. The early bird catches the worm. It is true that God crowns the mountains with forest trees and enriches the bowels of the earth with coal and other mineral deposits, but it is equally true that this wood and coal cannot be of service to men without hard and patient toil. It is true God gives fecundity to the earth so that it produces grain of all kinds for the nourishment of man, but it is equally true that before those crops can be utilized man must cultivate the soil, plant the seed, reap it and gather into barns.

"Be not solicitous for to-morrow, for to-morrow will be solicitous for itself. 'Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.' Do not derange the order of Divine Providence by superadding to the cares of to-day the solicitudes of to-morrow, which are often imaginary or magnified by the imagination. Like a skillful general, such as Dewey and Schley, concentrate your powers on the formidable enemy that confronts you now. Do not scatter your forces by striving at the same time to encounter on enemy yet afar off, and who may never approach you. Hope in the Lord and do good, and He will give you the desires of your heart."

You Should Know

What Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to do for those who have impure and impoverished blood. It makes the blood rich and pure, and cures acrofula, salt rheum, dyspepsia, catarrh, rheumatism, nervousness. If you are troubled with any ailment caused or promoted by impure blood, take Hood's Sarsaparilla at once.

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KLINE'S STATEMENT.

Decides That He Tipped Off the Supreme Court Decision to the Trust.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—Mr. Virgil P. Kline, attorney for the Standard Oil company, made the following statement: "My attention has been called to a printed statement to the effect that previous to the decision of the supreme court, I, as attorney for the Standard Oil company, spent several days in Columbus; and it is intimated that I received a 'tip' beforehand in regard to the court's decision, and at once notified the officials of the Standard Oil company. That statement is an absolute falsehood and an insult to the court."

"There is no truth in any part of it, save that I spent a part of one forenoon in Columbus with Mr. Neal preparing a brief in the case."

"The statement given out that the company has destroyed any of its books of account for the purpose of evading the order of the court is equally false."

Talked to Italian Tots.
New York, Dec. 23.—Colonel Roosevelt talked to nearly 400 little Italians in the Children's Aid society school. The children sang for Colonel Roosevelt and went through the flag drill, and then the colonel told them about his regiment. The bugler, he said, was an Italian, and was so brave that after he had had the fingers of his hand shot away so that he could not bugle any more, he had spent the rest of the day carrying the wounded from the field. In conclusion the colonel exhorted them to be good, clean and ready to fight if need be.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound onto the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by Melville, the druggist, old postoffice corner, and Heister's drug store, 58 public square.

NOTE WELL THE NOTIONS.

Those little things told about in little type, touching which every line is of interest. Something you need is here; suppose you look for it! Handkerchiefs, Pocket-books, Feather Collars, Silk Collars, Fancy Hose, Combs, Brushes, Fancy Ribbons, Laces and Kid Gloves. All of these can be had at this store, and a good selection to select from.

G. E. BLUEM,
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Cream, Milk and Butter

For your Christmas dinner at the Lima Dairy Co. Both 'Phones 155. 8 3t

To Survey Porto Rican Coast.
Baltimore, Md., Dec. 23.—The coast and geodetic survey steamer "Blake" left for Porto Rican waters. Her departure marks the beginning of work by this government in the new possessions this being the first expedition sent to any of these islands for the purpose of making surveys. Most of the Spanish possessions have been poorly charted, and the coast lines of Puerto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines contain many good harbors of which little is known. Accurate surveys of these harbors will be made by the government at once.

Was He Shot by a Tail?
Quincy, Mass., Dec. 23.—The most peculiar shooting affair which has ever been brought to the attention of the police of this city occurred at the winter home of John Shaw, when a robber, who had plundered the house, lost his life. The whole affair is very mysterious, as the occupants of Mr. Shaw's house declare that they heard no shot fired and did not know that their home had been entered until the body of a man was found by a servant who was the first in the house to arise.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought.
See the Signature of J. C. Hart.

Call For Colored People.
New York, Dec. 23.—A call was issued by Bishop Alexander Walters, president of the National Afro-American council, for a convention of colored people, under the auspices of the council at Washington on Dec. 29. All organizations having for their object the amelioration of the condition of the Afro-American race are invited to send delegates.

Dolls at your own price to-night and to-morrow at Carroll & Cooney's.

NOW QUITE HABITABLE MAKE IT PUBLIC.

Sanitation in Santiago City Vastly Improved.

GENERAL PORTER'S REPORT.

With the Aid of the Lash, Disinfectants, Mules and Carts the Filth of Ages Has Been Removed From the Streets.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Robert B. Porter, special commissioner for the United States to Cuba and Porto Rico, has returned from Santiago and has submitted his report to the secretary of the treasury.

The disagreeable smells of the typical Cuban city, the report says, are less pronounced in Santiago, while whitewash, limewash, fresh paint and all sorts of disinfectants have deodorized the surrounding atmosphere and made the old town quite habitable.

The streets are no longer used as sewers, and the unhappy individual who violates this law and escapes the lash of the sanitary commissioner's whip is compelled to work on the streets for 30 days. This official, Mayor Barbour, with 128 men dressed in spotless white, and 32 mule teams and carts, having dug out from the streets of Santiago the filth of ages, is now able to keep them absolutely clean. Every day, by the aid of petroleum, the garbage of the city is burned. The work of sanitation is not confined to the streets, but extends to the dwelling houses, shops and buildings of all other kinds.

To accomplish this, however, the doors of houses had to be smashed in, and people making sewers of thoroughfares were publicly horsewhipped in the streets. Eminent respectable citizens were forcibly brought before the commanding general and sentenced to aid in cleaning the streets where they were in the habit of defiling. The campaign has ended in a complete surrender to the military authorities, and the inhabitants of Santiago, regardless of class, have had their first object lesson in the new order of things inaugurated by the war. Several important streets have been repaved, and all the public buildings have been thoroughly cleaned, the work even extending to the opera house.

The law courts, which were abolished when General Shafter took the city, have been reorganized. The supreme court is composed of carefully selected Cuban judges, the appointees nominated wholly on account of legal attainments, the Bar association of the province having been consulted as to the character and qualifications of the new judges.

In the same manner local government has been restored, and native mayors and officials appointed, the only requirement being that persons accepting such offices shall take the oath recognizing the military occupation of the island by the United States, but in no way committing them to any future form of government.

The Spanish when in possession in Cuba not only assumed absolute control of the judiciary, but of the municipal government, the larger portion of the taxes raised for municipal purposes being diverted, with the other revenues, in channels which, says the report, either led to Spain or into Spanish pockets.

Mr. Porter advises that these taxes hereafter must be used exclusively for local purposes, and as far as may be deemed practicable, that they be collected and disbursed by properly constituted local authorities. The rural districts of Santiago have been so depopulated that it will be impossible to collect taxes over and above those needed for the bare necessities of the schools for the poor and probably small sums to improve sanitary conditions. The dawn of prosperity, however, should be the signal for inaugurating systematic work on the country roads.

Buried at the Capital.
Asheville, N. C., Dec. 23.—The remains of Lieutenant Commander Sumner C. Faine, United States navy, retired, who died here, were taken to Washington. He was executive officer of Commodore Dewey's flagship, the Olympia, just previous to the beginning of the late war.

Sailed For Cuba.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 23.—The third and last battalion of the Tenth infantry, United States army, sailed from this port for Cuba on the Ward line steamer Saratoga. The detachment of the Tenth was 443 men strong and was commanded by Captain Duggan, United States army.

Coal Miners Out.

Daleton, O., Dec. 23.—The coal miners of the Athens Coal company here came out on a strike, owing to dissatisfaction culminating out of the present system of docking used by the company in their endeavor to thoroughly clean their coal for the market.

Steamer Andes Ashore.

Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 23.—The steamer Andes of the Atlas line went ashore here. The high winds and heavy seas prevailing will probably cause the Andes to be a total loss if the tugs fail to pull her off.

Barrel Makers Assembled.

Buffalo, Dec. 23.—Peter Glor of the firm of E. & F. Glor, barrel makers, filed a petition in bankruptcy, showing liabilities amounting to over \$50,000 with no assets.

Publicity Counts. That's What The People Want.

Lima's Expression on This Subject.

Make it public. Tell the people about it. Gratitude promotes publicity. Grateful people talk. They tell their neighbors—tell their friends. The news is too good to keep. Everybody should know about the little conqueror.

"Bad Backs" are numerous. So few understand the cause. Many Lima people are learning. And better still, they're being cured. Lame backs are lame no more. Weak ones regain their strength. This is the everyday labor in Lima Of Doan's Kidney Pills. Our citizens make it public:

Mr. W. S. Rusk, of 919 W. Spring St., employed at Holland's Grocery, Cor. Main and High Sts., says: "Three or four years ago I commenced to be troubled with pains in my back, but as they were not very severe I did not pay much attention to them, but after I had a severe fall of twenty-five feet the trouble was greatly aggravated and caused me a great deal of bother. There were constant, dull aching pains across the small of my back; I could not rest comfortably in any position, and never felt rested when I arose in the mornings. Feeling compelled to do something to better my condition, when I was advised to use Doan's Kidney Pills I went to W. M. Melville's drug store and got a box. The first few doses benefitted me and before finishing the box the aches and pains left me entirely. I cannot speak too highly of Doan's Kidney Pills, and always recommend them to my friends and acquaintances when opportunity arises."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers; price 50 cents a box. Mailed on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

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MRS. AGNES TOOPS, 911 Hazel St., Danville, Ill., writes: "My little boy was sick three weeks with the grippe, a heavy cold settled on his lungs, he had a terrible hacking cough. I tried a great many remedies with no effect. I was finally induced to try FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR. It effected a prompt and permanent cure. He was able to return to school in one week. FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR gives immediate relief and is a permanent cure for la grippe. Sold by H. F. VORTKAMP."

HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS.

Special Rates via Pennsylvania Lines for Christmas and New Year.

Owing to Christmas and New Year falling on Sunday, and the observance of those holidays to occur on Monday as a rule, the annual custom of the Pennsylvania Lines to grant special rates will this season cover two extra days. Excursion tickets may be obtained of these lines December 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 30th and 31st, 1898, and January 1st and 2nd, 1899. Tickets for adults will not be sold at less rate than 25 cents, nor for children at less rate than 15 cents. The return limit on tickets sold at special rates on the dates will be Tuesday, January 3rd, 1899. For special information about rates, time of trains, etc., please apply to nearest Ticket Agent of the Pennsylvania Lines. dec31

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Cause for Kicking.

"What's Borry kicking about?" "Somebody called him a donkey."—Puck.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Melville, the druggist, old postoffice corner, and Heister's drug store, 58 public square.

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The Way of Some.

Maud—And so Gladys married for love? Mabel—Yes but she fell in love with a rich man.

There Is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O-MILK, made of pure grains that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 25 cents. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O-MILK.

ARGUED THE BLACKS.

Drunk Negro Soldier Killed by a Conductor in Self-Defense.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 23.—Private Turner of the Sixth Virginia regiment was shot and almost instantly killed by O. A. Thrower, a street car conductor.

Turner, very drunk, boarded Thrower's car and used vile language in the presence of ladies. Thrower pulled him out of the car to the rear platform. While Thrower was assisting a lady off the car the negro kicked him several times and applied more vile epithets. Turner went back on the trailer, but soon returned and with a knife in hand swore he would cut Thrower's head off. As he stepped on the platform, Thrower fired, the bullet striking the negro in the mouth. He died in 15 minutes.

A crowd of negro soldiers and civilians soon gathered and swore vengeance on Thrower and all street car conductors. One conductor was chased several blocks by the negroes. Guards have been placed on all cars on the line leading to the negro camps and the camp is under strong guard to prevent an outbreak on the part of the negro soldiers.

Sixth Ohio to Move to Cuba.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 23.—Orders were received here for Major General John C. Bates and division headquarters to proceed to Charleston and take transport for Cuba. The order also directed that the Sixth Ohio regiment now at Knoxville, Tenn., proceed to Charleston and sail on the same transport not later than Dec. 26. It is believed here that the rest of the First army corps under General Wilson will follow in a few days.

New Ore Pool.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—A new ore pool is to be organized. It will be known as the non-bessemer ore producers' pool and will be organized on a basis similar to that of the Bessemer pool. A meeting was held here, which was attended by all the non-bessemer producers, and preliminary steps were taken towards the organization. An advance in non-bessemer ore of 25 cents per ton is talked of.

Wants to See Service.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 23.—Colonel J. R. Campbell of the Ninth Illinois regiment of volunteers and who represents the Twentieth Illinois district in congress, announced that he is going to Cuba with his regiment regardless of what congress may do in reference to his right to retain his seat in the house and at the same time hold his commission in the army.

Cruiser Missing.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 23.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Hornet, which left Hampton Roads for Wilmington, manned by detachments of the naval reserves from Wilmington and Southport, has not yet reached Southport and is now about 30 hours overdue at that point. Nothing has been heard from her since she sailed from Hampton Roads.

Epidemic of Grip.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—It is estimated that between 25,000 and 30,000 persons in this city are suffering from grip, and doctors report the epidemic on the increase. At the board of health six deaths were reported to have occurred within the past 24 hours directly due to grip.

Massachusetts' Injuries.

New York, Dec. 23.—The examination of the battleship Massachusetts disclosed three large dents in the port side of the vessel forward. One of the officials told a reporter that the injuries were much more serious than had been anticipated.

Ratified by Italians.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Ambassador Draper informs the department of state that the Italian chamber of deputies had ratified the postal treaty. It is possible that it will go into effect Jan. 1 next, so far as Italy is concerned.

Hitchcock Soon to Sail.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Secretary Bliss stated that Mr. Hitchcock, his successor in the cabinet, would sail for this country on Jan. 6 and that the change of office would take place just prior to Feb. 1.

Government Yields.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The government has decided to hand the Dreyfus secret dossier to the court of cassation. It will also be communicated to Madame Dreyfus and to M. Morand, the counsel for Dreyfus.

DWARFS IN SIZE

But as Large as Giants In New-Giving Qualities.

Fourth Ohio volunteers will be mustered out at Columbus Jan. 5, 1899. Cracksmen entered a bank at Atkinson, Ill., and secured \$5,000 in cash.

Owing to fog, coast traffic has been suspended from Boston to the cape. Patrick Haggerty, 109, is dead at Malone, N. Y. He used tobacco for a century.

Ice gorges in the Black river near Lorain, O., threaten vessel property in the harbor.

Consumers' Brewing company, Cincinnati, has assigned. Liabilities are estimated at \$10,000.

A call has been issued for the tenth annual convention of United Mine Workers to be held at Pittsburgh in January next.

Genevra Johnstone-Bishop, the famous singer, has filed, at Marion, O., a petition for divorce against her husband, alleging gross neglect.

Tommy Crosby, 13, son of a wealthy Chicago widow, shot and killed a deputy sheriff who was attempting to serve a writ of restitution at his home.

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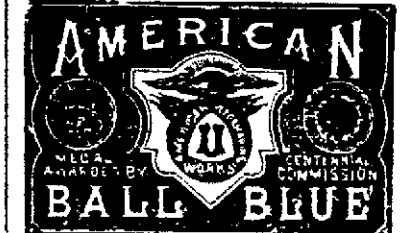
They Cure Stomach Troubles and Indigestion Anyway, Whether You Have Faith in Them or Not.

Mere faith will not digest your food for you, will not give you an appetite, will not increase your flesh and strengthen your nerves and heart, but Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will do these things, because they are composed of the elements of digestion, they contain the juices, acids and peptones necessary to the digestion and assimilation of all wholesome food.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will digest food if placed in a jar or bottle in water heated to 98 degrees, and they will do it much more effectively when taken into the stomach after meals, whether you have faith that they will or not.

They invigorate the stomach, make pure blood and strong nerves, in the only way that nature can do it, and that is, from plenty of wholesome food well digested. It is not what we eat, but what we digest that does us good.

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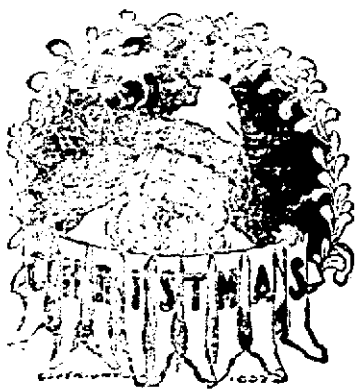
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For by a Well Known Singer

Geneva Johnstone-Bishop, the well known singer, yesterday filed her petition in the common pleas court at Marion, Ohio, praying for a divorce from her husband, Dr. Rufus Bishop, of Chicago.

Some ten years since Mrs. Bishop, then Mrs. Johnstone, took up her residence in the Windy city. There she met Dr. Rufus Bishop, a leading physician of Chicago. Their acquaintance ripened into love and soon they wedded. Their married life up to about a year ago, was apparently, all serene. At about that time Mrs. Bishop moved her household goods to Marion, Ohio, and took up her residence at the home of her parents in order to acquire a legal residence in that city. It soon became noised about that all was not sunshiny between Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, but as Mrs. Bishop assumed the silence of the sphinx, the true inwardness of the matter is not known.

At present Mrs. Johnstone-Bishop is in Washington, where she will spend the holidays, and sing Christmas day at the church attended by the president.

Dr. Bishop, it is understood, will not make any defense.

COMMENDABLE

Sacrifice by S. S. Children.

The Congregational Sunday school have decided to make their Christmas treat this year one of contributing to the needs of poor children rather than of receiving gifts for themselves. A committee will be at the church Monday to receive contributions of clothing, food, toys, etc., which will be distributed judiciously Tuesday to deserving poor families. The general public are cordially invited to contribute to this undertaking and so help bring Christmas joy and cheer to the homes of the poor.

'Tis Midnight.

Hark! All through the house rings the awful sound, once heard never forgotten, the sound of a child's croup cough. There is no time to lose. Group is a monster that will not be trifled with. Then is the time that if you have neglected to provide your self with a bottle of Dr. Hand's Cough and Croup Medicine you fully realize how careless and neglectful you have been. It is worth its weight in gold at that critical moment. And yet it costs only 25c. a bottle at any drug store.

SHAWNEE NEWS.

Trouble with the Rusler Well.

Miss Blanch Hover and Mr. Dilly, of Lima, spent Sunday evening with Miss Anna Hover.

E. T. Lippincott, of Beaver Dam, attended preaching at Shawnee last Sunday.

Rev. Albright will preach an educational sermon at Shawnee next Sunday morning.

Mrs. John Mayer, who has been suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia, is very poorly at this writing.

W. H. Bowersock, of Allentown, visited A. Lehman and wife last Sunday.

A large sized lead of young people attended preaching at Allentown last Saturday evening.

H. M. Sawyer, who is teaching the Hessel school, spent Sunday with his family in Ada.

The Ohio Oil Co. is having considerable trouble with their No. 1 on the Rusler farm, having drilled three water wells and put in the third string of drive pipe.

Charles Stultz visited his father in Paulding county last Monday.

The Shawnee Epworth League nominated officers last Sunday evening. The election will take place New Year's evening.

Success comes to those who persevere. If you take Herd's Sarsaparilla faithfully and persistently, you will surely be benefited.

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This expression can always be made with satisfaction. No house in Lima carries the line of fine goods that this house does, and in the medium trades only those made by thoroughly reliable people are sold here. You can get a good, plain article here if you want it, or you can get the best in the land and always at the right price. Everything is MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES. In these days when your time is limited and you want to send your friends something that will please them, you can find what you want at F. E. Harman's.

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A fine assortment of Christmas Umbrellas came in to-day and were put on sale at once at popular prices. We have never offered better values than these before. Umbrellas for men and Umbrellas for ladies.

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Taken From Home and Killed.
Pocomoke City, Md., Dec. 23.—John E. Turner, a highly respected colored man of this place, was taken from his home by two unknown men and brutally murdered. The affair has caused intense excitement among both white and colored and should the murderers be caught, fears of lynching are entertained.

New Rubber Treat.
New York, Dec. 23.—A new combination of some of the leading rubber firms in the United States is now in process of formation and is expected to be complete in about a week. It is understood the organization will have a capital of \$30,000,000. Charles R. Flint has charge of the organization.

Special Sale, 14th to 24th, at
The Metropolitan.
25-5^c Cigars for 75^c.

Fine Pianos Coming.
Miss Anna L. Cox, 686 south Main street, will receive a large consignment of Weber pianos early in January, between the first and fifteenth. Persons who contemplate the purchase of a piano should wait for the arrival of these elegant instruments. She also has on hand a number of fine Starr pianos.

KID GLOVES.

Put up in a neat box, which will help to make your Christmas gift giving more pleasant. Buy your Kid Gloves here.

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With Horses and Mules.
San Francisco, Dec. 23.—The bark Tecoma with 111 horses and mules, besides a lot of material, sailed for Honolulu and the Philippines. She will stop at Honolulu and take on the animals she left there on her last trip and leave some of her present cargo there instead.

Tried to Hang His Wife.
Cleveland, Dec. 23.—Joseph Graff, a molder, made a desperate attempt to hang his own wife in her bedroom. The woman escaped after being severely handled. She was accused of being untrue. Later the husband was soaked in police court to the full limit of the law.

Three Winners.
At New Orleans—Great Bend, Queen of Soak, Pale Fields, Clay Politer, Biggs.

The Weather.
For West Virginia and Ohio—Cold; brisk west to northwest winds.
For Indiana—Fair; westerly winds.

See Dimond Bros. before
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To buy your Christmas Shoes and
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Haskell Silks are on sale in
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A Partial List

Of many useful gifts is found below that may aid the late ones in making a selection for Christmas. Only a partial list can be given, but qualities are to be found here that will be sure to suit the sum you may want to expend.

\$1.00 to \$2.00.	\$2.00 to \$5.00.	\$5.00 to \$7.50.
House Wrapper.	Ladies' Cape.	Silk Petticoat.
House Jacket.	Fur Scarf.	Tapestry Curtains.
Shoulder Shawl.	Fur Collarette.	Brussels Curtains.
Fur Set.	Ladies' Mackintosh.	Madras Curtains.
Cashmere Shawl.	Childs' Mackintosh.	Fur Muffs.
Evening Shawl.	Ladies' Dress Skirt.	Childs' Jacket.
	Ladies' Silk Waist.	Ladies' Jacket.

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219 N. Main. Christmas Trees, Holly Ground Pine Wreathing Sold by the yard. Nuts and Candy of all kinds at low prices.

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The largest and most complete stock in the city. Those who appreciate fine coffees should see what we have. Ask to see our famous 12 1-2c coffee and also our choice mixture at 25c.

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New Buffalo Street Scales. at 112 North Elizabeth Street.

School Shoes

for Misses and Children, in Dongo and Kangaroo Calf, that will wear well and look well, at.

A NEW BRAND OF Silica Gravel Roofing

Is selling rapidly at our store for
\$2.00 PER SQUARE.

A bargain in this kind of roofing. Come and see it.
W. A. SMITH, 200 South Main St.

LOCAL TIME CARD.

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TO-MORROW

Is the last day before Christmas and the stores will be crowded. Be wise and do your purchasing to day you will get better attention at the store, a better assortment to select from—you still have the pick of the pile and needn't take what is left from other's choosing. You can buy as cheap to-day as you will to-morrow, and you can buy with more satisfaction to yourself.

5 dozen fine Cashmere Mufflers (the 75c quality) for 49c.

The Lima Clothing Co.
215 & 217 NORTH MAIN ST.

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Practically all the post-offices and other official papers have been given out and congressmen from this time on will give their time and attention to public business.

It is said that since McKinley has been president Speaker Reed has been just four times to the White House, each time strictly on official business. Moreover, it is said by his friends that he has never asked a favor, either in the matter of patronage or otherwise, holding that the executive ought to consult him in such matters so far as they affect the state of Maine, which he has not seen fit to do.

The vigorous protest of President Gompers, of the Federation of Labor, against the annexation of the Philippines, has been endorsed by the organization of which he is the head. At a meeting of the executive committee, held last Wednesday, the following resolution was adopted by an almost unanimous vote:

"Whereas, As a result of the recent war with Spain, a new and far-reaching policy, known as imperialism or expansion, is about to thrust upon us a large standing army and an atrocious navy, this convention offers its protest and calls upon its officers to use all their power to defeat it."

OHIO-GOLD FIELDS.

Prof. N. W. Lord, who for fifteen years has been making a study of the geological formations of Ohio, says to people who think there is gold in the hills of the Buckeye State that the best thing they can do is to go along with their business as though it had never been thought of, because no fortunes will be made in Ohio mines. There is no possibility of their paying, even if there are any such mines. Prof. Lord has had wide experience in mining operations, and his opinion should have weight.

TIDBITS.

Strange to say Hitchcock is not an Ohio man.

The Christmas shopping season is nearing the goal line.

Probably this is the season of autumn that went astray.

In some cases it is a man with a bundle, in others it is a bundle with a man.

Quite a number of happy couples are receiving marriage licenses from Santa Claus Rebb.

R. A. M. Notice.

Special meeting of Lima Chapter No. 4, R. A. M., this evening. Work in the P. M. and M. E. M. degrees. C. F. JARVIS, H. P. Wallace, Linds, Secy.

Only 8c To-morrow

Townsend's home made mince meat

Old Mission naval oranges guaranteed unfrosted.

Ed Gooding's shoe store open every day with Christmas

KNOCKED

Off of a Car That Had Been "Kicked" Into a Switch.

Particulars of the Accident in Which J. M. Butler Was Injured.

Concerning the accident in which switchman J. M. Butler, formerly of this city, was injured in Cincinnati, yesterday morning, an account of which appeared in the TIMES-DEMOCRAT yesterday, the Enquirer, to-day, contained the following:

"J. M. Butler, a switchman on the B & O S. W. road, had a narrow escape from death yesterday morning. He was on a car about 2 o'clock which had been 'kicked' on a siding near Harrison avenue, and, seeing that it was going to collide with another car, he climbed down the side of it, intending to jump off, but was too late and was knocked off. He fell between the cars and his left leg was almost cut off near the hip. He was also badly bruised about the head, and Patrol No. 5 was called to take him to the City Hospital. His home is at 662 State avenue.

PROVED FATAL.

Telegrams were received in this city to-day by W. C. H. Foltz, whose wife, a step-daughter of Mr. Butler, was called to Cincinnati on account of the sad accident, and O. D. Fisher, secretary of the Lima division of the O. R. C., announcing that Mr. Butler died from his injuries at 10 o'clock last night.

The funeral services will be held from the unfortunate man's late residence in Cincinnati at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and the local O. R. C. lodge will be represented at the services.

FANCY SILKS.

More fancy Silks for waist patterns have been sold this season than ever before. They make a very nice Christmas gift. You can get the correct styles and best values at this store.

G. E. BLUM,
8-2t 57 Public Square.

THE DERBY WINNER,

The Christmas Attraction.

The opera house will have for its Christmas attraction, matinee and night, Monday, the great racing drama, "The Derby Winner." The plot of the play hinges on the winning of a horse race, which is run upon the stage by five famous horses carried by the company. In the fair ground scene some excellent musical specialties are introduced. The company carry their own scenery, 40 people and a Pickaninny band. A parade with the band and horses will be given Monday. Prices will be, matinee, 10, 20, 30 and 50c, evening, 25, 50, 75c, boxes \$1.00.

GIVEN AWAY.

A Fancy Pail of Lard

With every purchase of 50c or over at Townsend's, to-morrow.

A CHAIR STORY. We represent two or three of the best exclusive Chair factories in this country. They don't make CUBA CHAIRS, but the best in the land. We can show you chairs that you will readily recognize as first class. They are prettier and more stylish than you can find else where. We are building a reputation for merit, and invite you to inspect our stock. Everything we sell we guarantee. F. E. HARMAN.

A Fancy Pail of Lard

Free with every purchase of 50c or over at Townsend's.

20 Per Cent. Off.

For Saturday only Hoover Bros will give 20 per cent. off for cash on everything in the store.

CAPTURE

Made by Officer Roney

Proves to Be One of Considerable Importance.

Landy Evans, Alias Hammond, Is Wanted at Marion, Ind., on a Charge of Grand Larceny.

The one armed colored man who is identified as Landy Evans, alias Landy Hammond, who escaped from patrolmen Conway and Phalen night before last night, when the colored woman, Ida Weaver, who had been with him, was arrested on suspicion, was captured by patrolman Roney in Jackman's saloon at Central avenue and Wayne street, yesterday afternoon, and the arrest promises to be an important one.

Chief Watts understood that a man answering the prisoner's description was wanted at Indianapolis for highway robbery and he telegraphed to the superintendent of police in that city for information. This morning he received a reply stating that Landy Evans was wanted at Marion, Ind. A telegram was sent to the chief of police of that city and this afternoon a reply was received stating that the man was wanted there on a charge of grand larceny and that an officer would be sent here to take charge of the prisoner.

Evans is known to have had considerable money while in Findlay and while in this city before he was arrested, but when he was searched yesterday no money was found in his possession.

TWO DRUNKS

Edward Scanlon and Thomas Cantwell, both strangers, were arraigned before Mayor Prophet this morning on charges of drunkenness. Cantwell went to the county jail yesterday and demanded to be allowed to see some of the prisoners. Sheriff Bogart refused to admit him, but he insisted and the sheriff seeing that he was so anxious to get behind the bars escorted him to the police station where he was locked up. Both Cantwell and Scanlon pleaded guilty and were sent to the city work house in default of \$7.50 each.

CLAIMS HE WAS HELD UP.

Last evening it was reported that Wm. Sutton, of the Hotel Warden, of Newark, O., who is visiting friends in this city, had been held up on north Central avenue about 12 o'clock the night before and robbed of a gold watch and chain, a K of P. charm and \$16 in money. It was also claimed that Sutton reported the robbery to Lieut. Burns night before last and to Chief Watts yesterday morning, but both of those officers assert that no report of any such robbery was made.

BOOKS ARE MISSING.

Last evening the police received a letter from Prof. Lear, of the Ada Normal School, requesting them to locate a couple of students who came to this city and ascertain if they had \$42 worth of books that were stolen from the school. The young men were found stopping at the Burnet house and their grips were searched, but none of the books were found.

20 Per Cent. Off.

For Saturday only Hoover Bros will give 20 per cent. off for cash on everything in the store.

COLORED CITIZENS

Will Meet Monday Evening.

All colored citizens who are interested in the welfare of their race, are requested to meet at the A. M. E. church at 8 o'clock Monday evening. A meeting was held Monday night for the purpose of discussing the race problem, and to arrange to send a delegate to Washington the last of this month, when the question of proper protection for the Afro American race and other grievances will be presented to congress. Job Bishop was selected as the delegate from Allen county. Arthur Harrison, who was chosen president of the local body, has called the meeting for Monday evening, and a good attendance is desired.

BLACK CREPONS.

A special selection of Black Crepon Dress Goods which just came in for the holiday. Beautiful designs at \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$2.50 per yard.

G. E. BLUM,
8-2t 57 Public Square.

20 Per Cent. Off.

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Only 8c To-morrow.

Townsend's home made mince meat

FOR HOLIDAYS.

You can get the SAN-FELICE, 25 in a box, from your dealer.

Beginning Christmas, my Sunday office hours will be from 9:30 until 11 a.m. DR. COLLINS

Buy your mixed nuts of Dimond Bros. and get all fresh new nuts. 8 2t

20 Per Cent. Off.

For Saturday only Hoover Bros will give 20 per cent. off for cash on everything in the store.

Nothing nicer for a holiday gift than Pianos. We have them in all sizes. Come early, and get the best. LIMA PIANO CO.

CHOICE FOR \$1.00. More than 100 articles, worth much more, placed on a special table. Your choice of the lot for \$1.00, at F. E. Harman's.

Cheapest

Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chickens at Townsend's market.

Catheryn Reiner, experienced nurse, 715 east Linden street. Both phones, No. 40 9 3t

PATHFINDERS

Held Their Semi-Annual Election of Officers.

Installation and Banquet to be Held Thursday, January 5th.

At the regular meeting of Ontario Lodge No. 11 of the Pathfinder order in the Donte hall, last night, the semi-annual election of officers was held. The following were elected:

Past president, E. E. Langley, president, J. W. Porter, vice president, J. H. Broo, chaplain, Mrs. Treacie Broo; secretary, Dr. G. W. Foltz, treasurer, F. W. Cook, sergeant-at-arms, S. H. Martin, guide, M. E. Dewesse, inner guard, Henry Emrick, outer guard, F. J. Woerner, musician, C. H. Bogardus, trustees—one year, Dr. T. K. Jacobs; two years, J. H. Broo; three years, S. H. Martin.

The installation will be held on the first meeting night in the new year—Thursday, January 5th. The installation will be followed by a banquet.

SILKS.

New Silks for ladies' waists at Carroll & Cooney's. They have the largest assortment of nice silks in Lima.

Cream, Milk and Butter

For your Christmas dinner at the Lima Dairy Co. Both phones 175 8 3t

Oysters Galore.

25c Oysters at Townsend's market.

CHRISTMAS UMBRELLAS.

The Rainbow Umbrella, an Umbrella that is guaranteed for both ladies and gentlemen. G. E. BLUM, 8-2t 57 Public Square.

20 Per Cent. Off.

For Saturday only Hoover Bros will give 20 per cent. off for cash on everything in the store.

No cold storage goods in Dimond Bros.' mixed nuts. 8 2t

WANTED.

WANTED—Two men. Permanent employment. Call at room 14 Hory block, between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday.

FOR RENT—A cottage of 10 rooms, price \$3 per month. Inquire at 822 west Market street. 8 3t

WANTED—Girl for general housework at 508 west Hight street. 8 3t

FOR RENT—Eight room house on west side of Union street between North and Wayne streets. Enquire of H. W. Mely, 220 North West street. 7 4t

Only Two Shopping Days Before Christmas.

Save time and money by going direct to headquarters for all kinds of Toys, Dolls, Chinaware, Lamps, Doll Carriages, etc. Our Economy Basement is filled with choice lines of goods at rock bottom prices.

CHINAWARE.

On our China Table you will find fine Chinaware, priced as you have never seen before. We sell Chinaware with a small dry goods profit, which accounts for the large quantities we sell. A fine line of Behman Glass Vases from 10c up to \$2.25 each.

DECORATED LAMPS.

These Lamps are up-to-date in every important respect. Shapes are newest and best. Decorations are not in the usual cheap, gaudy effects, but tasteful in design and artistic in execution. Prices from 98c up to \$4.48.

BLACKBOARDS

At 85c, 50c and 75c each.

DOLLS.

Eleven inch kid body Doll, bisque heads, with beautiful hair, at 10c each.

Thirteen inch all kid body Doll, extra stout body, bisque head, nice curly hair, stationary eyes, at 25c. Same with moving eyes, 30c. Other kid body Dolls at 45c, 50c, 75c, 98c and \$1.00 each. Dolls with China heads, 5c and 10c. Bisque Doll heads for 18c, 25c, 35c, 48c, 50c, 75c, 98c and \$1.00 each.

China Doll Heads for 5c, 10c and 15c

Doll Cradles at 25c and 49c each

Doll Swings at 25c each

Rubber Dolls from 5c up

Doll Carriages from 25c up to \$2.75 each.

TOYS.

Here you will find something to amuse the little ones. Prices the lowest. Games of all kinds from 5c up to 50c. A. B. C. Blocks, Card Games, Building Blocks, Dancing Bears, Bouncing Donkey, Toy Dishes, Table Croquet Sets, Toy Parlor Furniture, Toy Bed Room Sets, Toy Trunks for Dolls' Clothes, Toy Kitchen, Toy Ranges, Iron Banks, Iron Trains, Fire Engines, Horse Carts, Hook and Ladder Wagons, Ice Wagons, Iron Locomotives, Mechanical Toys, Toy Sad Irons and Stands, Toy Ironing Boards, Toy Laundry Sets, Magic Lanterns, Steam Boats, Steam Engines, Bellow Toys, Animals with moving heads, Rocking Horses for 50c, Wheelbarrows for 25c, Toy Pianos, Etc., Etc.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

FELTZ BROS. & CO.

FOR SALE—Three room good cellar, kitchen and well water. Call at 40 north W. street. 7 3t

NEW Kimball piano for sale cheap. Inquire 677 east Main st. 7 3t

FOR SALE—We have a large stock of fine reduced goods, a hand which we will sell cheap to make room for more. Some will make up Christmas gifts. Such as baby and baby's gold watches, rings, jewelry of all kinds, culture, gold and silver. We have a lot of fine first class goods and can save you the money. Money loaned on all kinds of property. LOREY AND LOAN OFFICE, 111 East Way street.

WANTED!

Everyone to figure with

THEODORE FEIST,

316 EAST MARKET ST.

FOR LUMBER

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Lima for the election of a board of directors will be held

at the banking rooms at 2 o'clock p.m. Tuesday, January 10th, 1899. C. D. COLLINS, Cashier.

Faurot Opera House.

Grand Christmas Attraction.

Matinee and Night,

MONDAY, DEC. 26,

THE DERBY WINNER

GREAT RACING DRAMA.

A grand and new story, interesting and thrilling. It will keep you on the edge of your seat.

Seventh Row, Ticket 60c. Fair Grounds, 50c. Seats 40c. Actual 30c. All P. M. Matinee 25c.

40—PEOPLE—40.

PICKANINNY BAND.

Parade and Banquet on Monday

Matinee, Prices—10c, 20c, 30c, 50c, 75c, 1.00. Evening, Prices—25c, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50.

IT PAYS TO BUY AT ROWLANDS'.

FOR BARGAINS IN

Sideboards,

Rockers,

Couches,

Dinner Sets,

Parlor Suits,

Odd Pieces,

Leather Goods.

DON'T FAIL TO GO TO

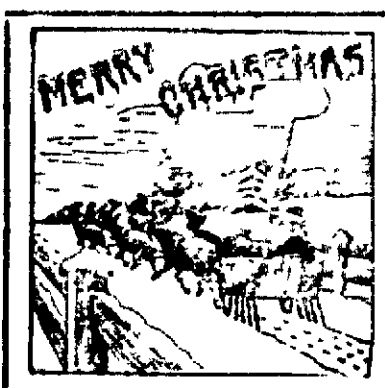
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The Reliable Housefurnisher,

204 North Main Street, Lima, Ohio.

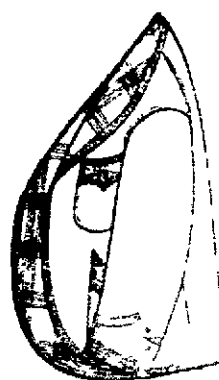


Grand Holiday Sale!



From now until Xmas all of our beautiful and well assorted stock of Holiday Goods in CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS and FOOTWEAR will be offered at a reduction. Special prices on everything. Come now and get the Cream of our stock. Don't wait till the last moment. If you are not quite ready to buy, come in and see what we can show you in STRICTLY UP-TO-DATE Holiday CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS AND FOOTWEAR.

Holiday Smoking Jackets.



A gorgeous array of Gents' Smoking Jackets, in all the new shades, from

\$3.50 to \$12.

75 different styles and patterns

Pretty Holiday Mufflers.

Our Xmas stock of Holiday Mufflers is unsurpassed by any. Exquisite patterns, in different qualities of silks from

23 cents to \$2.00.

This makes a beautiful Xmas present.



Get Your Money's Worth!

Gentlemen's Holiday Dress Shirts

From 38c to \$2.

Made up in Percales, Chevots and Madras. All new designs.

Umbrellas.

Our stock of Umbrellas has been replenished with an entirely new

HOLIDAY STOCK

For ladies and gentlemen, from

63c to \$6 00.

Gentlemen's Night Robes.

In Donet Flannels, Satens, Etc

48c to \$2.50.

Gentlemen's Bath Robes.

From \$5 to 18.

Hundreds of different suitable Holiday presents for gentlemen in our Furnishing Department.



NECKWEAR.

Insufficient space in this ad. does not give us a chance to tell you about the STRICTLY UP-TO-DATE HOLIDAY NECKWEAR from

25c to \$2.00.

Our Furnishing Department

Contains the latest of everything. New ideas in

Handkerchiefs, Gentlemen's Gloves, Suspenders in fancy boxes.

GENTS' FANCY HOSE

For 23c per pair and up.

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What more suitable than a pretty Hat to present to a gentleman for an Xmas present? We have them in Stiff Hats, Alpines and Crushes.

Sole agents for the popular

GUYER HAT.



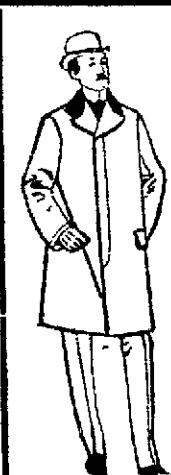
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In new shades, new leathers, new styles, from

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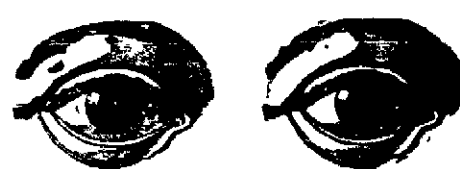
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For a good Fall Weight Top Covert Overcoat, worth \$18.50 to \$15.00.

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On our Window display for the Holidays. They will keep you posted as to what is the right thing to buy for a

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CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS AND FOOTWEAR.

Our Children's Department



Is brightened up for our **GRAND HOLIDAY SALE**

With an entirely new stock. Good Suits from \$2.00 to \$6.00.



FREE! A pair of Skates free with every boys' Suit or Overcoat from \$3 up.

Our Store Will Be Open Evenings Till Xmas.

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JOYOUSLY Merry Christmas Bells

Will Ring Forth in Lima Sunday
and Monday.

Programmes for the Appropriate Services
That Will Be Held in the
Various Churches.

Christmas songs are ringing
through the world to-day.
For our hearts are singing
Let Christmas live away!

Christ Episcopal Church Sunday
School will celebrate the Christmas
festival, Holy Innocents' Day, Wednes-
day evening, December 28th, 6 o'clock.

ORDER OF SERVICE IN CHURCH.

Proclamation. Vested choir.
Evening prayer.
Cantata.
Address.
Offering of gifts for less fortunate chil-
dren. (Cakes, toys, stationery, fruit,
candy, etc.)
Carol.
Benediction.
Processional Choir, Sunday school and
congregation, from church to parish
room.
Entertainment in parish room. The
Visit of St. Nicholas.
REV. G. F. GLADDING HOYT,
Rector.
S. MORTIMER WILLIAMS,
Precentor.

EPWORTH M. E. CHURCH

To-morrow morning will hold a special
Christmas service of song and praise,
and at the conclusion of the service
will give the little people of the Sab-
bath School a nice Christmas treat.
REV. D. R. COOK, Pastor.

MARKET STREET PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH S. S.

Will on Monday evening present a
Christmas cantata entitled "The
Crowning of Christmas." The char-
acters represented will be as follows:
New Year's Day. Beatrice Campbell
and attendants.
Winter. Gladys Butler.
Spring. Robt. Oiler.
Summer. Edna Johnson.
Autumn. Mabel Starkey.
Committee. Chairman, Pearl Grosjean;
Greene Robinson and Walter Thomson.
Valentine Day. Mary Arthur.
Washington's Birthday. Carl Roland.
Children's Day. Minerva Blum, attend-
ants, Laura McLaughlin and Margu-
rite Thomson.
Independence Day. John Thompson.
Attendants, Marguerite Mitchell and
Marie Becker, Carl Deakin and Lee
Pauls.
Thanksgiving Day. Lena Sanford.
Christmas Day. Santa Claus.
Guests. Beatrice Campbell, Kathryn Pauls.
The song service accompanying the
various characters through their parts
is of a high order. After the appear-
ance of Santa Claus follows the dis-
tribution of bon-bons to the members
of the school.
REV. R. J. THOMSON, Pastor.
MR. L. H. KIBBY, Supt.

Christmas service of Sunday school
of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sunday
evening at 7 o'clock.
Organ Voluntary. Miss Rose Taber.
Responsive Reading. Minister and School.
Prayer. Herk. the Herald Angels Sing.
Address of Welcome. Benjamin Motter.
Recitation. Christmas Carol.
Song. "Silent Night."
Conrad, Marguerite Harboldt, Maus
Hunter, Blanche Fisher, Marguerite
Burns.
Recitation. "When Christmas Comes."
Lee Carter.
Christmas Song. "Go to Bethlehem."
Christmas in Letters. Robert
Molman, Ivy Stout, Ray Beatty, Ber-
tha Long, Fred Kramer, Blanche
Fisher, Carl Ende, Ruth Kissler,
Charles Zesty.
Responsive Reading.
Superintendent and School.
Song by Little Children. Jesus, Jesus.
Bless This Morning.
Winter Christmas Brought.
Marie Pennybacker, Marguerite Burns.
Recitation. "The Song at the Star."
Recitation. "The Angel's Message."
Margery Harboldt.
Song. "On Little Town of Bethlehem."
Recitation. "Hark of the Sea."
Recitation. "Legion of the Xmas Tree."
Irene Conrad.
Lithany of Christmas Tree.
Distribution.
Collection for Foreign Mission.
Lord's Prayer.
Benediction.
REV. KOHLER, Pastor.
CHAS. VOGEL, Supt.

Trinity Methodist Church Sunday
school will give a sacred concert to
morrow evening. A fine programme
of music and readings is being ar-
ranged for the occasion.

The German Reformed Church Sun-
day school will on Sunday eve, at seven
o'clock, have the pleasure of listen-
ing to and seeing the following pro-
gramme:

CANTATA: "HARK!"
Scripture Lesson. By Rev. Land.
Responsive Reading. By Superintendent and School.
Prayer. By Master Henry Detsch.
Song. By School.

Lantern drill and song by twenty-
five little girls of Miss Klela's and Mr.
Cantieny's classes.
Candle drill by twenty-five tiny lit-
tle girls of classes belonging to Miss
Barbara Shultz and Miss Minnie Stue-
ser.

Sleigh bell song, with bell, by fif-
teen boys of Miss Herold's and Miss
Mary Cantieny's classes.

Infant class songs and speeches,
with penny collection for Orphans' Home.

Responsive service by fifteen girls
of Miss Mollie Koch's class, entitled,
"The Cross, the Star and the Crown,"
accompanied by candle bearers. Then
the classes of Dr. P. G. Stueber and
Rev. Land, composed of twenty boys,
surround Miss Lenore Kissel, who rep-
resents the Goddess of Liberty, all sing-
ing "The Red, White and Blue," salu-
tating the flag and forming a tableau.
After this the Christmas tree is lighted
and gifts presented to children.

REV. PAUL LAND, Pastor.
MR. JACOB MOSER, Supt.

Spring Street Lutheran Church Sun-
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COMPANY C Has Not Been Forgotten by the Committee of Ten.

Another Effort Will Be Made to Have the
Boys Mustered Out.

The announcement recently pub-
lished from Washington that plans
are being made for the mustering out
of 50,000 of the volunteer troops in
service, has occasioned a renewed de-
termination of the committee of ten
citizens appointed several months ago,
to endeavor to have Co. C mustered
out of service and returned to Lima.
The members of the committee met
in the city book store this morning,
but as yet no definite plan of action
has been determined upon. However,
it is certain that if there is any possi-
bility of having the Second included
in the list of troops to be mustered
out, the committee will take advantage
of the opportunity.

HANDKERCHIEFS
For Christmas gifts, put up
in a neat box, at
G. E. BLUM'S,
8 2t 57 Public Square.

Trimmed and untrimmed hats at
half price at Miss Murphy's. w fr

Give us a call, please! See what we
have to offer. We can give you better
satisfaction in FURNISHING
more tastefully arranged and better
flowers than any other in the city.
We have the experience and the facili-
ties.
LIMA FLORAL CO.
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Now is the Time
To buy your Christmas Shoes and
Slippers at
Goodman's,
290 North Main St.

YOUR LAST CHANCE to-day and
to-morrow. Ye business men of
little time, don't waste it looking
around, but go straight to F. E. Har-
man's. You can get something there
to please you.

DOLLS.
Buy them at your own
price to-night and to-mor-
row at Carroll & Cooney's.

Removal Notice.
Dr. Boyer begs to announce the re-
moval of his office to suite 29 and 30
opera house block. Take elevator.
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Old Mission naval oranges,
the product of Lima enter-
prise in California.

THE SALVATION ARMY Will Give a Christmas Dinner.

DEAR FRIENDS:—Last Christmas day
the Salvation Army supplied dinners
and otherwise brought comfort and
cheer to over 800,000 poor people
throughout the United States. This
year it is proposed to provide for
100,000, with the assistance of the
generous-hearted people of Lima. The
Salvation Army is arranging to give
dinners to 300 or 400 in this city. It
is a big undertaking, but we have the
men and women who will gladly do
the work, and we feel assured the
means will be forthcoming. The Sal-
vation Army hall has been secured for
the public dinner. We shall arrange
to send out baskets of provisions to
families and thus enable them to en-
joy a Christmas dinner in the privacy
of their own homes. The poor of
creeds all and color will be looked after.
The poor are all welcome.

Wishing you a happy Christmas
and a prosperous New Year,
Sincerely yours,
V. M. URBAN, Captain.

MORRIS CHAIRS, the most popu-
lar presents for gentlemen. We
have a new lot just received, at \$6.88,
\$10.00, \$12.00 and \$12.50, all finishes.
F. E. HARMAN.

Stray.
Jersey cow, black and bronze, has
quite bad around white fore leg and
white in flank. 6 years old. Anyone
putting up cow and notifying the un-
derigned will be suitably rewarded.
G. E. ROBINSON,
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Old Mission naval oranges
are guaranteed the very best
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Order Your
WINES
—FOR—
CHRISTMAS
—AND—
NEW YEARS
—OF—
THE CALIFORNIA
WINE CO.

THE FINAL SUMMING UP!



Santa Claus
bids the
Readers of
This Paper
To do
Their Buy-
ing at the
Mammoth.

Thousands of Gifts
For Men and Boys.

But one day remains for you to do your Christmas shopping and there will be
lots of comfort in buying here, notwithstanding the great crowds. The very fact of our
store being constantly filled assures the Lima people of the faith and confidence people
have in this store, and under no circumstances will we shirk that confidence, for it's a
priceless treasure to us. The next day will doubtless be

A RECORD BREAKING SALES DAY.

MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS.

Christmas is selling a great
many Suits and overcoats out of
this store. A very sensible and
useful present. Any kind and any
size. If anything you buy don't
fit we will cheerfully change it.

SUITS—\$7.50, \$10, \$12,
\$15 and \$18. Single or
double breasted.
OVERCOATS—\$6.50, \$7.50,
\$8.90, \$10, \$12, \$12.50,
\$15, \$18 and \$20.

CHILDREN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS.

How pleased that little fellow
would be were he to receive a new
Suit or Reefer for Christmas. Don't
spend all for breakable toys. A
Suit or Overcoat will last a long
time.

SUITS—\$1.50, \$2, \$3, \$4
and \$5.
REEFERS—\$1.50, \$2, \$3,
\$4 and \$5.
ULSTERS—\$3, \$4, \$5, \$6
and \$7.
MILITARY CAPES—\$4.98.

MEN'S SMOKING COATS.

Three days left yet to sell
them. Your choice of our stock,
\$5.00.

GLOVES.

Gloves for men—Kid, Wool,
Mocha, Leather and Jersey—25c,
50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50.

SHIRTS

Make nice presents. 50c, 75c,
\$1, \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50.

MUFFLERS.

Silk, Wool, Cashmere and Cot-
ton. 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50.

NECKWEAR.

Neckties are very popular gifts.
Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Bows
and Strings. 25c, 50c, 75c and 1\$.

SUSPENDERS.

Big variety of Holiday Sus-
pender. Silk effects at 21c, 50c,
75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

HATS AND CAPS.

For men and boys. All sizes
and prices.

THE MAMMOTH.